

**LONG BEACH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
F. PHIL INFELISE, PRESIDENT
APRIL 28, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Civil Service Commission was held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 28, 2010, in the Board Room of the Commission, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Seventh Floor, Long Beach, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT: F. Phil Infelise, Ahmed Saafir, Carolyn Smith Watts

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Jeanne Karatsu, Douglas Haubert

OTHERS PRESENT: Mario R. Beas, Executive Director & Secretary
Melinda George, Deputy Director
Diane Dzodin, Administrative Officer
Marilyn Hall, Executive Assistant
Donna de Araujo, Assistant Administrative Analyst
Ken Walker, Personnel Operations Manager, Human Resources

President F. Phil Infelise presided.

MINUTES: It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of April 21, 2010, be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT OF SENIORITY The Secretary presented communications from Police Officers Allan R. Legayada, Ray Panek and Sean Hunt, requesting the Commission to reinstate their seniority as Police Officers in the Police Department. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst. The Secretary informed the Commission that he requested and received a legal opinion from the City Attorney's office regarding reinstatement of seniority credit to these three individuals. All three officers were present and addressed the Commission regarding their requests. These officers based their request on another officer, Bruyere, who they alleged resigned and returned to the City and was reinstated seniority credit. Christina Checel, Deputy City Attorney, was present and addressed the Commission, stating that Civil Service Rules and Regulations, Article VII, Section 102, governs seniority accruals as they relate to resignations. Section 102 indicates that if an employee resigns and leaves City service s/he loses all previously acquired seniority credits. Ms. Checel informed the

Commission that Bruyere rescinded his resignation and had no break in City service. She further indicated that regardless of Bruyere's situation, Section 102 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations prohibited the Commission from granting these officers' requests. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried to deny the request to reinstate seniority based solely on Section 102 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

COMMUNICATION REGARDING ALLEGED IMPROPER REMOVAL FROM CIVIL SERVICE POSITION

The Secretary presented a communication from Michael Mawn, Communications Coordinator, Police, requesting the Commission to review his alleged improper removal from his duties as Communications Coordinator. Mr. Mawn was present and addressed the Commission. Christina Checél, Deputy City Attorney, was present and advised the Commission that it only has jurisdiction on whether the department is working Mr. Mawn in classification or out of his classification. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried to refer the matter to staff to investigate and report back to it within 60 days. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET CUTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011:

President Infelise requested this item be moved to after the Comments from Public. It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried to move this item to after the Comments from Public. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

BULLETINS:

SURVEY TECHNICIAN

It was moved by Commissioner Smith Watts, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the subject Job Opportunity Bulletin be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

EXAMINATION RESULTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Smith Watts, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the following examination results be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Department Librarian – 7 Applied, 5 Qualified
General Librarian – 21 Applied, 16 Applied

**EXTENSION OF EXPIRING
ELIGIBLE LISTS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Smith Watts, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the following eligible lists be extended for an additional six months. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Clerk Typist
Geographic Information Systems Analyst
Geographic Information Systems Technician (5/13/09 & 5/27/09)
Geologist
Microbiologist
Office Automation Analyst
Office Systems Analyst
Park Ranger
Police Recruit
Public Safety Dispatcher

RETIREMENTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the following retirements be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Margaret Barajas/Clerk III/Health
Steven Lee/General Maintenance Assistant/Parks

RESIGNATIONS:

It was moved by Commissioner Smith Watts, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the following resignations be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Elizabeth Wong/Business Systems Specialist III/FM
Frances Bowman/Registered Nurse II/Health

TRANSFER:

JOSEPH BRUNO/SPECIAL SERVICES OFFICER
II/PUBLIC WORKS TO SPECIAL SERVICES OFFICER
II/POLICE

The Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Diane Dzodin, Administrative Officer, regarding the subject transfer. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the subject transfer between departments be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**CANCELLATION OF CSC MEETING
OF MAY 5, 2010:**

It was moved by Commissioner Smith Watts, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the Civil Service Commission meeting of May 5, 2010, be cancelled due to lack of a quorum. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

MANAGERS' REPORT:

Diane Dzodin, Administrative Officer, thanked Donnell Russell, Clerk Typist, for her assistance on the CIS Newsletter.

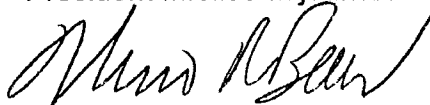
Melinda George, Deputy Director, informed the Commission that some staff analysts were at training making up sessions they were unable to attend.

**CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET
CUTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011:
ADJOURNMENT:**

The Secretary presented a staff report prepared by him, regarding consideration of budget cuts for fiscal year 2010, held over from April 21, 2010. The Secretary also presented a staff report and time study report prepared by him, dated April 21, 2010, and a communication from Patrick H. West, City Manager, to submit a \$77,000 reduction to the Civil Service Department budget for fiscal year 2011. The Secretary briefed the Commission regarding their request to provide specific costs related to work completed in the Civil Service Commission core services. Commissioner Smith Watts requested staff provide her with copies of the Civil Service total budget for the last three fiscal years, to compare the level of service with the current service level. Commissioner Saafir stated that he would like for staff to indicate the true value of core service to determine what cuts can be absorbed. After discussion, it was moved by commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried to refer back to staff for total completeness of time study report. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Commission, President Infelise adjourned the meeting.



MARIO R. BEAS
Secretary

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**LONG BEACH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
F. PHIL INFELISE, PRESIDENT
MAY 12, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Civil Service Commission was held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 12, 2010, in the Board Room of the Commission, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Seventh Floor, Long Beach, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT: F. Phil Infelise, Ahmed Saafir, Jeanne Karatsu,
Carolyn Smith Watts

MEMBER EXCUSED: Douglas Haubert

OTHERS PRESENT: Mario R. Beas, Executive Director & Secretary
Melinda George, Deputy Director
Diane Dzodin, Administrative Officer
Marilyn Hall, Executive Assistant
Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst
Robert Pflingsthorn, Personnel Analyst
Lourdes Ferrer, Personnel Analyst
Donna de Araujo, Assistant Administrative Analyst
Ken Walker, Personnel Operations Manager, Human
Resources

President F. Phil Infelise presided.

MINUTES: It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of April 28, 2010, be approved as prepared. Steve James, President, Long Beach Police Officers' Association, was present and addressed the Commission, regarding approval of the minutes of the April 28, 2010, meeting, specifically the item requesting seniority points to be restored to Officers Allan R. Legayada, Ray Panek and Sean Hunt. He addressed the Commission regarding its decision to deny Officers Legayada, Panek and Hunt's request to reinstate their seniority in the classification of Police Officer. Mr. James stated that the Commission's decision should be based on what actually occurred, not what the paper trail shows. He stated that Officer Bruyere did in fact resign from City service and had a break in service, and afterward, rescinded his resignation, which was approved by the Commission. He also stated that the Police Department placed Officer Bruyere on a leave of absence after he rescinded his resignation, in order to restore his seniority. President Infelise stated that these three officers were gone for a

much longer period of time. Christina Checél, Deputy City Attorney, stated that she never indicated that Officer Bruyer never tendered a resignation and was continuously employed, but that Officer Bruyere's resignation was subsequently rescinded and accepted by the Commission, and there was no break in service. She also stated that Officer Bruyere's situation was very different from Officers Legayada, Panek and Hunt in the amount of time they were gone, and that the City has no mechanism in place to approve a leave of absence beyond one year. She also stated that the Civil Service Rules and Regulations do not allow for the Commission to approve their requests. Officers Legayada, Panek and Hunt, were present and addressed the Commission. After discussion, the motion to approve the minutes of April 28, 2010, carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**REQUEST FOR PERMANENT
REASSIGNMENT IN-LIEU
OF LAYOFF:**

The Secretary presented communications from Patrick H. West, City Manager and Luis Reza, Combination Building Inspector, requesting Commission authorization to permanently reassign Luis Reza to the classification of Construction Inspector, in the Long Beach Gas & Oil Department, in lieu of layoff. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Sal Ambriz, Personnel Analyst. The Secretary briefed the Commission regarding this request, stating that all affected parties have agreed to this request. Scott Schroyer, Gas Maintenance Supervisor was present and addressed the Commission, requesting the Commission to deny this request. Mr. Schroyer outlined his opposition to this request, and stated that he did not feel that Mr. Reza had the experience necessary to be a Construction Inspector in the Gas Department. However, Mr. Schroyer felt that Mr. Reza would be a better fit as a Construction Inspector in the Public Works or Harbor departments, where the duties are more in line with Mr. Reza's experience. Janet Schabow, Union Representative, IAM, also addressed the Commission, and indicated that she appreciated the City saving employees jobs, however, requested the Commission hold the item for one to two weeks to explore the Harbor Department possibility. The Secretary informed the Commission that they prepare the order of layoff as requested by the City Manager, and the City Manager executes the order of layoff. He stated that the departments involved are both City Manager departments and there is no conflict of interest. He also stated that Mr. Reza has successfully

placed on the eligible list for Construction Inspector twice, and would be required to serve a probationary period in the classification of Construction Inspector. He also stated that the Harbor Department is not a City Manager department and is not required to participate, and that he did not receive any communication from the Harbor regarding this item. Ken Walker, Manager of Personnel Operations, Human Resources answered questions regarding this matter, indicating that he was not aware of the issues expressed regarding Mr. Reza's being reassigned to the Gas and Oil Department, and that Human Resources was looking for the best fit for Mr. Reza. He stated that Human Resources would be exploring the option with the Harbor Department, however, the Harbor Department's process is lengthy and requires Harbor Commission approval. He stated that the Development Service Department is currently operating in the red and cannot afford to keep this position. Mr. Walker stated that he would contact the Harbor Department regarding this possibility. Andy Gutierrez and Dave Orkin, Gas Maintenance Supervisor, Gas & Oil, were present and addressed the Commission. Rod Williams, Board Member, Long Beach Association of Engineering Employees, addressed the Commission in opposition to this item. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts to approve this request. The motion failed by a two to two vote. In a subsequent motion, it was moved by Commissioner Smith Watts, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried to table the item for one week. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote. President Infelise requested that both departments making this request be present to address the item.

**REQUEST TO EXTEND
NON-CAREER HOURS:**

**TAMALYN SAYRE/RECREATION LEADER SPECIALIST
PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE**

The Secretary presented a communication from Phil T. Hester, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine, requesting Commission approval to extend the non-career hours for Tamalyn Sayre, Recreation Leader Specialist for 100 hours, until she reaches her anniversary date of June 21, 2010. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Lourdes Ferrer, Personnel Analyst. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the request to extend non-career hours by 100 hours be

approved in accordance with Section 49 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations The motion carried unanimously.

BULLETINS:

It was moved by Commissioner Smith Watts, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the following Job Opportunity Bulletins be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Accounting Clerk
Senior Survey Technician

EXAMINATION RESULTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the following examination results be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Department Librarian – 4 Applied, 4 Qualified
General Librarian – 36 Applied, 29 Applied
Plan Checker – Electrical – 17 Applied, 10 Applied
Plan Checker – Mechanical - 1 Applied, 2 Qualified

EXTENSION OF EXPIRING ELIGIBLE LISTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Smith Watts, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the following eligible lists be extended for an additional six months. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Civil Engineer
Civil Engineering Assistant (5/20/10)
General Maintenance Supervisor

RETIREMENTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Karatsu, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the following retirements be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Senia Manaes/Clerk Typist II/Community Development
Glen Peterson/Special Services Officer III/Police

RESIGNATION:

STEVE OOSTERHOF/PARK RANGER I/PARKS

It was moved by Commissioner Karatsu, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the subject resignation be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

MANAGERS' REPORT:

Diane Dzodin, Administrative Officer, thanked the Commission for the opportunity to attend the Western Region IPMA conference.

Melinda George, Deputy Director, informed the Commission that staff is working with the Fire and Police Departments regarding the safety examinations.

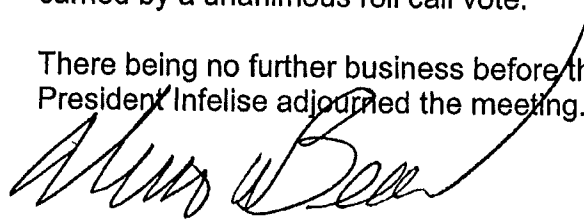
Ms. George presented Donna deAraujo, Assistant Administrative Analyst, with her 20-year service pin.

CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET CUTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011: ADJOURNMENT:

The Secretary presented a staff report prepared by him, regarding consideration of budget cuts for fiscal year 2010. The Secretary briefed the Commission regarding their request to provide specific costs related to work completed in the Civil Service Commission core services, requesting the Commission use fiscal year 2006 as its base year. The Secretary also briefed the Commission regarding the options provided to assist the Commission in responding to the proposed cuts to the Civil Service Department budget for fiscal year 2011. Commissioner Saafir questioned how these cuts would affect our ability to perform core services. The Secretary explained that because the requests for Commission action have decreased, the department would still be able to perform its core services. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried to submit proposed cuts to the Civil Service Department budget under Plan A & B to the City Manager for the purposes of budget modeling. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Commission, President Infelise adjourned the meeting.



MARIO R. BEAS
Secretary

MRB:meh

CITY OF LONG BEACH
CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION
MINUTES

MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2010
COUNCIL CHAMBER
333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD, 5:30 PM

Karen Highberger, Chair
Laura H. Brassler, Vice Chair
Shannon Carmack, Commissioner
Irma Hernandez, Commissioner



Louise Ivers, Commissioner
Harvey Keller, Commissioner
Richard Powers, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA AND MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (5:40 PM)

At 5:40 p.m., Chair Highberger called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:40 PM)

Boardmembers Laura H. Brassler, Karen L. Highberger, Shannon Carmack, Irma Hernandez, Louise Ivers, Harvey Keller and Richard Powers
Present: Hernandez, Louise Ivers, Harvey Keller and Richard Powers

Also present: Reginald Harrison, Interim Director of Development Services; Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer; Pat Garrow, Project Planner; Angie Zetterquist, Project Planner; Steven Valdez, Project Planner; Jeff Winklepleck, Project Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

FLAG SALUTE (5:40 PM)

Chair Highberger led the flag salute.

MINUTES (5:41 PM)

see media

10-011CH

Recommendation to receive and file the Cultural Heritage Commission minutes of March 8, 2010.

A motion was made by Commissioner Keller, seconded by Commissioner Hernandez, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Laura H. Brassler, Karen L. Highberger, Shannon Carmack, Irma Hernandez, Louise Ivers, Harvey Keller and Richard Powers

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:42 PM)

There was no Director's Report given.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (5:42 PM)

There was no public comment given at this time.

SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:42 PM)

Do you solemnly swear or affirm that the evidence you shall give in this Cultural Heritage Commission Meeting shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

REGULAR AGENDA (5:43 PM)

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1. 10-005CH Recommendation to recommend the Draft Historic Preservation Element of the Long Beach General Plan to the City Planning Commission for consideration. (Citywide)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced Project Planner Pat Garrow, who presented the staff report.

A motion was made by Commissioner Keller, seconded by Commissioner Hernandez, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Laura H. Brasser, Karen L. Highberger, Shannon Carmack, Irma Hernandez, Louise Ivers, Harvey Keller and Richard Powers

see media

2. 10-009CH Recommendation to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness request to install a tile mural measuring 8-feet by 8-feet, which was discovered on the roof of the Campbell Apartment building, on to the front of the original Lafayette Hotel building located at 140 Linden Avenue within the PD-30 zone. (District 2) (Application No. HP10-0064)

Commissioners Powers and Brasser recused themselves from the item.

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced Project Planner Angie Zetterquist, who presented the staff report.

Angie Zetterquist responded to a query from Commissioner Hernandez.

Brian Kaiser, representing the applicant, responded to queries from Commissioner Ivers.

Brian Kaiser responded to a query from Commissioner Hernandez.

Jack Nendel, Lafayette Preservation Group, spoke.

Brian Kaiser responded to comments from Commissioner Keller.

Brian Kaiser, responded to a query from Commissioner Carmack.

Brian Kaiser responded to a query from Commissioner Carmack.

Jack Nendel responded to a query from Chair Highberger.

Jack Nendel responded to a query from Commissioner Hernandez.

John Thomas, President of Long Beach Heritage, provided public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Keller, seconded by Commissioner Ivers, to approve the recommendation with the addition of a Condition that the color of the metal framing be changed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Karen L. Highberger, Shannon Carmack, Irma Hernandez, Louise Ivers and Harvey Keller

Abstain: 2 - Laura H. Brassler and Richard Powers

see media

3. 10-008CH

Recommendation to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness request to remove the rear portion and adaptively reuse the front of the Acres of Books building, a designated historic landmark, in conjunction with a new 11,000-square-foot collaborative arts center that will include artist studios, gallery space, a multi-purpose classroom, outdoor courtyard, and a hot shop, located at 240 Long Beach Boulevard within the PD-30 zone. (District 2) (Application No. 0904-05)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the item.

Angie Zetterquist, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Peter Chang, Studio One-Eleven, representing the applicant, spoke.

Angie Zetterquist responded to a query from Commissioner Brassler.

Charlene DeLong, provided public comment.

John Thomas, President of Long Beach Heritage, provided public comment.

A motion was made by Chair Highberger, seconded by Commissioner Ivers, to approve the recommendation with the addition of a Condition, as discussed by staff, to add a decorative gate leading into the courtyard. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Laura H. Brasser, Karen L. Highberger, Shannon Carmack, Irma Hernandez, Louise Ivers, Harvey Keller and Richard Powers

see media

4. 10-010CH

Recommendation to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness request to allow the repair of deteriorated exterior wood siding and an existing exterior stairway on the Milbank Anderson Home (Long Beach Art Museum), a Historic Landmark located at 2300 E. Ocean Boulevard within the P zone. (District 3) (Application No. HP09-0275)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the item.

Steven Valdez, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Megan Ellison, representing the applicant, and Jan Ward, General Contractor for the project, responded to queries from Commissioner Ivers.

Megan Ellison responded to a query from Commissioner Keller.

Megan Ellison responded to a query from Commissioner Brasser.

A motion was made by Commissioner Keller, seconded by Commissioner Ivers, to approve the recommendation with an amendment to Condition No. 8 that siding material be replaced with same material. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Laura H. Brasser, Karen L. Highberger, Shannon Carmack, Irma Hernandez, Louise Ivers, Harvey Keller and Richard Powers

see media

5. 10-007CH

Recommendation to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Long Beach Airport Terminal Area Improvements at the Long Beach Airport Terminal, a designated historic landmark located at 4100 Donald Douglas Drive. (District 5) (Application No. HP10-0072)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced Jeff Winklepleck, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Jeff Sedlak, Senior Civil Engineer for the Long Beach Airport, discussed

the existing conditions at the airport terminal.

Jeff Winklepleck spoke.

Jeff Sedlak responded to a query from Chair Highberger.

Jeff Sedlak responded to queries from Commissioner Brassler.

Jeff Sedlak responded to queries from Commissioner Carmack.

Chris Anderson, Project Architect, responded to a query from Commissioner Hernandez.

Chris Anderson responded to a query from Commissioner Carmack.

Jeff Sedlak responded to a query from Commissioner Ivers.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Carmack.

Commissioner Hernandez spoke.

Chris Anderson responded to queries from Commissioner Brassler.

Commissioner Carmack spoke.

Commissioner Keller spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hernandez, seconded by Commissioner Powers, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Laura H. Brassler, Karen L. Highberger, Shannon Carmack, Irma Hernandez, Louise Ivers and Richard Powers

Excused: 1 - Harvey Keller

STUDY SESSION (6:50 PM)

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6. 10-012CH Recommendation to receive and file materials for the study session regarding 2810 E. 1st Street.

(ITEM TAKEN OUT OF ORDER)

Derek Burnham presented the study session for 2810 E. 1st Street.

Brent Sears, Project Architect, spoke.

Brent Sears responded to a query from Chair Highberger.

Derek Burnham spoke.

Mohammed Movahedi, applicant, spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Chair Highberger.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Ivers, Brent Sears and Derek Burnham.

Commissioner Carmack spoke.

Commissioner Powers spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Brassler and Brent Sears.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Keller.

Commissioner Hernandez spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Highberger and Brent Sears.

A dialogue ensued between Mr. Mohvahedi, Chair Highberger and Derek Burnham.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Brassler.

Chair Highberger responded to a query from Brent Sears.

Commissioner Brassler responded to a query from Brent Sears.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Highberger and Brent Sears.

David Levine provided public comment.

Sasha Witte, representing the Bluff Park Neighborhood Association, provided public comment.

Sasha Witte responded to a query from Chair Highberger.

Isaac Waksul provided public comment.

Bijan Dolotti provided public comment.

Elizabeth Keeney provided public comment.

Helena Segelhorst provided public comment.

Mr. Segelhorst provided public comment.

Roger Kushinski provided public comment.

Christine Harran provided public comment.

Robert Paul provided public comment.

Wendy Harn provided public comment.

John Thomas, President of Long Beach Heritage, provided public comment.

Brent Sears spoke.

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7. 10-013CH

Recommendation to receive and file materials for the study session regarding 914 Molino Avenue.

(ITEM TAKEN OUT OF ORDER)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the study session for the item at 914 Molino.

Angie Zetterquist, Project Planner, introduced Pablo Maida, Project Architect, who presented the proposal.

Pablo Maida responded to a query from Commissioner Hernandez.

Pablo Maida responded to a query from Commissioner Brassler.

Pablo Maida responded to queries from Commissioner Ivers.

Pablo Maida responded to queries from Chair Highberger.

Pablo Maida responded to queries from Commissioner Brassler.

Pablo Maida responded to a query from Commissioner Powers.

Pablo Maida responded to a query from Commissioner Brassler.

Pablo Maida responded to a query from Commissioner Carmack.

Pablo Maida responded to a query from Commissioner Powers.

Commissioner Hernandez spoke.

Pablo Maida responded to comments made by Commissioner Hernandez.

A dialogue ensued between Pablo Maida and Commissioner Ivers.

Pablo Maida responded to a query from Commissioner Brassier.

Pablo Maida responded to queries from Commissioner Hernandez.

Pablo Maida responded to a query from Commissioner Brassier.

Pablo Maida responded to queries from Commissioner Carmack.

Pablo Maida responded to a query from Commissioner Hernandez.

Commissioner Ivers spoke.

Chair Highberger spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Chair Highberger.

Commissioner Carmack spoke.

Pablo Maida responded to a comment from Commissioner Carmack.

Commissioner Brassier spoke.

Pablo Maida responded to comments from Commissioner Brassier.

Chair Highberger spoke.

COMMENTS FROM THE CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION (8:47 PM)

There were no comments from the Cultural Heritage Commission.

ADJOURNMENT (8:47 PM)

At 8:47 p.m., there being no objections, Chair Highberger adjourned the meeting.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: May, 10, 2010 - 5:30 PM

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**CITY OF LONG BEACH
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES
APRIL 15, 2010**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was called to order by Drew Satariano, President, at 9:00 a.m., at the El Dorado Park West Community Center in the Senior Center Library. Phil Hester, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine, took roll call and confirmed a quorum.

Present: Drew Satariano, President
Brett Waterfield, Vice President
Simon George
Albert Guerra
Harry Saltzgaver
Sarah Sangmeister
Brett Waterfield

Absent: None

Staff: Phil Hester, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine
JC Squires, Manager of Business Operations
Sandra Gonzalez, Manager, Planning and Development
Ramon Arevalo, Manager, Maintenance Operations
Sherri Nixon-Joiner, Manager, Community Recreation Services
Gladys Kaiser, General Superintendent
Vivian Crook, Secretary, Marine Bureau

Guests: Patrick West, City Manager
Jim McDonnell, Chief of Police

II. INTRODUCTION OF CHIEF OF POLICE – JIM MCDONNELL

President Satariano acknowledged City Manager Pat West and thanked him for stopping by to introduce Long Beach Police Chief Jim McDonnell. He said that the Chief has come to several of the park openings,

Chief McDonnell stated that he has lived in Long Beach since 1996, and is now able to spend some time in his own city and feels very fortunate to be able to police the city that he lives in. He commented that his kids grew up in Long Beach and went to schools here. He thanked the Commission for what they do for the city and talked about the role of police in the city.

Chief McDonnell also discussed working with the Library Foundation literacy program. He said people don't think of the library has having an impact on policing, but two thirds of the students who can't read by the end of the 4th grade will end up either in jail or on welfare; 85% of kids who interface with the juvenile court system are functionally illiterate; and more than 60% of all prison inmates are functionally illiterate. He said that 70% of inmates go back to prison within three years. Inmates, who at some point get literacy training and learn to read, reduce the 70% figure to 16%. Tremendous challenges are ahead of us, but if we continue to do things they way we've always done them we won't be able to stay ahead of this wave. The recreation and parks piece is critical. If kids don't have a safe place to go between the hours of 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m., they will end up hanging on a street corner and eventually their default playground will be the gangs. Policing is a team effort and he looks forward to the opportunity to working together to make the city safer.

Commissioner Saltzgaver thanked Chief McDonnell for his outreach. He agreed that parks and recreation plays a vital role in the safety of the city, especially with the after school and weekend programs, especially with the way the schools have been forced to cut back. He really appreciates that Mr. West is here also because he wants to talk about money. He said he is the chair of the Park Safety Committee and at one point the park ranger program was one of the top in the state. Due to budget issues they have been decimated to the point of almost being gatekeepers of El Dorado Park. We have struggled with how to keep the rest of our parks safe. I will say that after some hard work from staff, we have been able to work with the Police Department. Beyond adding video cameras, how can we work with the Police Department to increase the visibility and patrol in our parks with the budget cuts?

Chief McDonnell responded that we could use technology. He just attended a meeting to talk about how to access the cameras. We are looking at a wireless system so that the videotapes can't be vandalized. It would also be a good idea to have the officers, on their discretionary time, drive through the parks and have more interaction with the kids. Gangs rule by intimidation. If we can take that away and put some of the ownness back on the community to call in anonymously, we are able to do something about it in a timely manner.

Commissioner Saltzgaver said the Department has proactively started up a Park Watch program. We could certainly use some assistance in activating that further. We need some help with resources. How can we work together to find a better way to finance the cameras and set up the technology? Finally, what can we do to help you?

Chief McDonnell responded to keep the dialog open and let him know what is working and what isn't. He said he would love to see the Park Watch program take off. Whether it is a Safe Park program or a Safe Passage to School program, this decreases the gang's ability to attack the kids. This would create a kind of social atmosphere for people who want to do it.

Commissioner Sangmeister urged the Chief to see if there could be a way to get LBUSD more unified and hopefully to get them to the table with literacy and after school programs.

Chief McDonnell responded that he has a meeting with the LBUSD Superintendent next week and that is one of the things he will talk about, to see how the School District can work with us to provide a safe environment where kids can come after school and not be threatened. He wants to work with Long Beach City College and Cal State Long Beach to get a program together where students can get school credits for mentoring kids throughout the city of Long Beach.

Commissioner Waterfield said he really appreciates what the Chief is saying in terms that the Department is breaking down walls and making the officers more involved in the community. He is interested in the Chief's goals and partnering with the recreation program for the youth.

Chief McDonnell responded that the PAL program was to fill in where there was a deficiency in other programs. It took officers off the street though. We need to reach out to the library and recreation and parks and others and ask how we can help fulfill their goals. We are going to provide a safe environment and also put officers in the program to the degree where we can break down walls between the public and the police. We don't want to be the ones to go back and administer the program because you are stretching yourself too thin.

Commissioner Guerra said it was his goal, when he started with the Commission, to get the park rangers out more in the public and make that contact. It sounds like you are encouraging that as long as the resources are available. I want to make sure that message is also going back to the dispatchers.

Mr. Hester commented that there has been a real change in the commander level in the recognition in importance of parks and of staff that are in the parks. Our park staff are now meeting regularly with the commanders to go over the issues in each park.

Ms. Sherri Nixon-Joiner said they do have regular meetings with the commanders and park staff. We do not have a downtown group put together yet though. Staff works with gang members if they are in the park and doing the right things. One of the things that has been difficult is sometimes there is a conflict with officers who don't want the gang members in parks, even though it might be putting the gang members on the right path. Maybe this could be something to work on.

Chief McDonnell said if we would have a controlled environment set up in one of the parks where we can identify a mentor and the kids who want to get out of the gangs can come and be left alone, provided they are doing the right thing. That is a challenge.

Ms. Nixon-Joiner brought up the officer rotation system. She said that if officers would stay in the area longer, they would know the people, the staff and the issues.

Chief McDonnell said there is another rotation coming up with commanders. They stay in place for three years and are then rotated to reenergize them in another command. The officers in Long Beach tend to stay in an area for years and years, which doesn't happen in many other cities. Rotation is to reenergize people and train them in many areas. Once an officer reaches the level of deputy chief, they will have worked in many areas and will have an understanding of what they are going to command.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MARCH 18, 2010

It was moved by Commissioner Saltzgaver and seconded by Commissioner Sangmeister to approve the March 18, 2010 Parks and Recreation Commission minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS

#10-0401

Recommendation to authorize the Director, or his or her management designee to execute the Personal Services and Instruction Agreements and amend Attachment "A" of the agreements as needed.

President Satariano stated that there are no agreements this month.

#10-0402

Recommendation to request authorization to execute a permit with Knowledge Learning Corporation® for the operation of a science camp from July 12, 2010 through August 20, 2010, at El Dorado Park West.

It was moved by Commissioner Sangmeister and seconded by Commissioner George to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

#10-0403

Recommendation to approve the placement and installation of a memorial bench within the greenbelt off Livingston Drive, between St. Joseph and Argonne Avenues, in memory of Patricia Johnson Saunders.

Commissioner Waterfield wanted to know if the policy on memorial benches was completed yet?

Mr. Arevalo said that the policy is not ready yet, but we are working on it.

Commissioner Saltzgaver said that the original application requested a location near the tot lot, but this location is two blocks away. Does the applicant know that? He just wanted to make sure that the applicant was fine with this location.

Mr. Arevalo said he would check into it and make sure that the location was correct before the bench gets placed.

It was moved by Commissioner Sangmeister and seconded by Commissioner George to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

V. COMMITTEE STATUS REPORTS

**A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
President Satariano, Chair**

President Satariano said the Committee met and discussed the agenda.

- Park Tour

President Satariano said that this idea has grown as the result of previous tours. It would take place on a Friday from about 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or so. It could also include other people we want to include on the tour.

Commissioner Saltzgaver said he would like to get the Redevelopment Agency Board (RDA) involved.

Mr. Hester thought it would be a good idea for the Commission to see the sites that are under construction by RDA or on their priority list. We could include their members.

Mr. Hester said that Robin will send out an e-mail to get a date for the tour, for a Friday in late May or early June.

- Water Challenges

President Satariano said that they discussed how much the Department pays for water. We should try to reach out to the Water Department and to their commissioners that we are their biggest customer and we don't get any preferential treatment. This is a huge budget item and maybe we can get some relief.

Commissioner Saltzgaver said that after last month's meeting discussion, he did touch base with Bill Townsend. He is one of the longer-term Water Commissioners. He asked for information, which Mr. Hester provided, in terms of how big an item it is for our department. We know we are going to have to pay, but it would sure be nice to get some help for doing things like conservation work and grants for things like irrigation in the Port, things like that. When I told Mr. Townsend we had to deal with the medians, he was surprised. One of the points he raised was to see what we could do about putting in drought tolerant plants in medians, etc. He was very receptive to a joint meeting of some sort. Mr. Townsend said he would sit down with the Director of the Water Department and talk about it.

Mr. Hester said he has a meeting with Mr. Wattier, the Director of the Water Department, next week. Mr. Wattier is aware of the issues and they are under some restrictions. They don't have a government rate but they can give us another water rate. This is a \$600,000 problem, at the minimum. We started to pay for water three years ago. We are just considered a rate payer. During those three years, our water rate has gone up almost 40 percent and our use of water is down 80 percent. We have an issue with RDA because they are putting in medians and we have to maintain them. We are going to look at all these things. We met with Financial Management and the City Manager's office and they are aware of the challenge. This problem is going to continue to get bigger.

Commissioner Saltzgaver said they are at least willing to talk.

Mr. Hester said the City is also looking at some bonds that could generate about a million dollars.

B. FINANCE AND APPEALS COMMITTEE
President Satariano, Chair

President Satariano stated that the Committee met this past month and discussed the 2010 budget. The report is in the packet.

Mr. Squires reviewed the report.

C. PARK SAFETY COMMITTEE
Commissioner Saltzgaver, Chair

Commissioner Saltzgaver said the Committee did not meet. The statistics report is in the packet. He said it shows we had 141 gang contacts this last month. Is that number correct?

Ms. Nixon-Joiner said the number is correct. There was an incident where there were a lot of gang members in El Dorado Park East.

D. MARKETING AND CUSTOMER SERVICE COMMITTEE
Commissioner Guerra, Chair

Commissioner Guerra stated that the Committee did not meet.

E. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE
Vice President Waterfield, Chair

Vice President Waterfield stated that the Committee met this morning and went over the project status report.

F. SPECIAL EVENTS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE
Vice President Brett Waterfield, Chair

Vice President Waterfield said they did not meet, but they would meet next month.

VI. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO COMMISSION**

- A. Recommendation to receive and file the Director's Monthly Highlights Report for March 2010.

It was moved by Commissioner Saltzgaver and seconded by Commissioner Sangmeister to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

VII. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Mr. Hester said that he sent a copy of a report that went to the RDA Board discussing redevelopment park acreage. He recommends thanking the RDA Board for their support at one of their meetings. He would also have Robin work on the schedule and get a small wood plaque of appreciation made for the RDA Board from the Parks and Recreation Commission.

VIII. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. Recommendation to authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to execute all documents necessary to issue a one-day permit authorizing Children's Day USA and the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine to conduct the 10th Annual Children's Day and Earth Day Celebration on April 24, 2010, at Recreation Park and authorize fee waivers for use of the stage, the permit fee, and the special event fee.

Commissioner Sangmeister asked, so when we are waiving these fees, are we asking her for financial data? What is the policy when waiving permit fees?

Commissioner Saltzgaver said this event does not generate any income. We do have a policy for events that do generate revenue to show us their financial information.

President Satariano said in the Finance and Appeals Committee, we always discuss policies for fee waivers. It seems to get more critical as each budget year goes by. The Commission should know there is an unwritten policy to not waive fees when we don't have to. There are certain events, and Children's Day is one of them, where we co-sponsor the event. The Department is always looking to update the policies.

Mr. Squires said that staff is working on the Fee Waiver Policy.

Ms. Nixon-Joiner said that the Special Events and Recreation Committee is also working on it.

Commissioner Waterfield said there are programs that provide a service to the community and it is not so much waiving fees as it is co-sponsoring an event.

Mr. Hester said that is one of the ways we have been able to address this is by co-sponsoring an event. We need to make sure we know what co-sponsoring means. We want to make sure it is something we want to be a part of. I am anticipating that we will be pushing more of these to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Commissioner Sangmeister said that the Commission only meets once a month. When guidelines are put together, you could determine if the request should go to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

President Satariano suggested the Fee Waiver Policy be moved to the Finance and Appeals Committee.

Mr. Squires said he would work with Ms. Nixon-Joiner in moving the Fee Waiver Policy over from the Special Events and Recreation Committee.

It was moved by Commissioner Saltzgaver and seconded by Commissioner Sangmeister to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Presentation of El Dorado Nature Center Building Grant

Mr. Hester said that the Planning and Development Bureau has been working on submitting a grant to rebuild the nature center building.

Ms. Sandra Gonzalez gave a presentation on the proposed refurbished nature center building.

X. COMMENTS

A. AUDIENCE

President Satariano asked for comments from the audience. There were none.

B. STAFF

President Satariano asked for comments from staff.

Mr. Ramon Arevalo said that staff helped prepare for the ESPN event at the Billie Jean King Tennis Center.

President Satariano commented on the ESPN interview of Billie Jean King and what a great event it was.

Mr. Arevalo said they received a lot of phone calls from the public about the sprinklers being on in the rain. He said that we have such a huge amount of sprinklers that it would take a lot of manpower to go all over the city to turn them off and then on again.

Ms. Gladys Kaiser discussed the "100 Days of Summer" project and the website that has been created.

C. COMMISSIONERS

President Satariano asked for comments from the Commissioners.

Commissioner Sangmeister commented that this year during the Grand Prix, the traffic downtown has been a total disaster. It took her 45 minutes to get out of downtown and she knows of a number of people who sat on Pine Avenue for half an hour in traffic. When we have a filming downtown, traffic just sits there. This should really be looked at.

Commissioner Guerra said that if anyone is out this weekend at the Grand Prix, this is the first year that the Boy Scouts of America have an Indy car racing for them and we are really excited about this. We are going to have a lot of Boy Scout events tying in with the Grand Prix.

XI. NEXT MEETING

President Satariano stated that the next meeting would be held at 9:00 a.m., on Thursday, May 20, 2010, at the El Dorado Park West Community Center, in the Senior Center Library, 2800 Studebaker Road, Long Beach, California.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

President Satariano adjourned the meeting at 11:14 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Robin Black
Executive Assistant to the Director

c: Phil T. Hester, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES****THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 2010
333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 PM**Melani Smith, Chair
Charles Durnin, Vice-ChairBecky Blair, Commissioner
Alan Fox, Commissioner
Leslie Gentile, Commissioner
Phil Saumur, Commissioner
Donita Van Horik, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA AND MINUTES**CALL TO ORDER (5:16 PM)**

At 5:16 p.m., Chair Smith called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:16 PM)**Boardmembers** Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie
Present: Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

Also present: Reginald Harrison, Interim Director of Development Services; Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer; Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Jorge Ramirez, Project Planner; Mark Hungerford, Project Planner; Meredith Elguira, Project Planner, Heidi Eidson, Planning Bureau Secretary.

FLAG SALUTE (5:16 PM)

Commissioner Blair led the flag salute.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:17 PM)

Reginald Harrison, Interim Director of Development Services, presented the Director's Report.

Mr. Harrison introduced Long Beach Police Chief Jim McDonnell.

Police Chief McDonnell addressed the Planning Commission.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (5:27 PM)

There was no public comment given at this time.

SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:27 PM)

Do you solemnly swear or affirm that the evidence you shall give in this Planning Commission Meeting shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

REGULAR AGENDA (5:27 PM)

1. 10-015PL Recommendation to approve a Conditional Use Permit to allow the installation of a roof-mounted telecommunications facility consisting of six panel antennas and three roof-mounted equipment cabinets located at 3000 E. 3rd Street within the R-2-A zone. (District 3) (Application No. 0909-06)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, asked that the item be continued the allow the applicant more time to work with the community.

Tim Miller, representative for T-Mobile, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Mr. Miller and Commissioner Durnin.

A motion was made by Commissioner Van Horik, seconded by Commissioner Saumur, to continue the item to the Planning Commission meeting of April 15, 2010. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

2. 10-016PL Recommend that the City Council amend Zoning Regulations governing public and private landscaping to comply with State-adopted Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance. (Citywide)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the item.

Mark Hungerford, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Durnin.

Meredith Elguira, Project Planner, responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

A dialogue ensued between Derek Burnham and Commissioner Saumur.

Meredith Elguira and Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Smith, Commissioner Van Horik and Derek Burnham.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Gentile.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Commissioner Gentile.

(Commissioner Gentile left the meeting at 6:10 p.m.)

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Blair.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

Chair Smith spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Derek Burnham and Chair Smith.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Chair Smith responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

Chair Smith swore in a member of the public wishing to provide comment.

Bob Ladd, member of the public, spoke.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Van Horik, seconded by Commissioner Blair, to continue the item to the Planning Commission meeting of April 15, 2010. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Charles Durnin, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

No: 1 - Alan L. Fox

Excused: 1 - Leslie Fernald Gentile

COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (6:53 PM)

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Commissioner Blair spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, Commissioner Blair and Chair Smith.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

ADJOURNMENT (6:59 PM)

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At 6:59 p.m., Chair Smith adjourned the meeting.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: April 15, 2010 - 5:00 PM

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CITY OF LONG BEACH
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2010
333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD,
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 PM

Melani Smith, Chair
Charles Durnin, Vice-Chair



Becky Blair, Commissioner
Alan Fox, Commissioner
Leslie Gentile, Commissioner
Phil Saumur, Commissioner
Donita Van Horik, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA AND MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (5:12 PM)

At 5:12 p.m., Chair Smith called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:12 PM)

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Boardmembers Phillip Joseph Saumur, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith,
Present: Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

Boardmembers Alan L. Fox and Charles Durnin
Excused:

Also present: Reginald Harrison, Interim Director of Development Services; Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Mark Hungerford, Project Planner; Jeff Winklepleck, Project Planner; Jeff Sedlak, Senior Civil Engineer; Pat Garrow, Project Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

FLAG SALUTE (5:12 PM)

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Commissioner Saumur led the flag salute.

MINUTES (5:13 PM)

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10-017PL

Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of March 4, 2010.

Item continued to May 6, 2010 Planning Commission meeting.

[see media](#)

10-018PL

Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes

of April 1, 2010.

Item continued to May 6, 2010 Planning Commission meeting.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:14 PM)

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Reginald Harrison, Interim Director of Development Services, presented the Director's Report.

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, spoke.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (5:17 PM)

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There was no public comment given at this time.

SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:17 PM)

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Do you solemnly swear or affirm that the evidence you shall give in this Planning Commission Meeting shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

STUDY SESSION (5:18 PM)

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1. 10-021PL Recommendation to receive and file materials related to the study session for Atlantic Senior Assisted Living Facility.

Reginald Harrison, Interim Director of Development Services, introduced Dean Isaacson, applicant.

Bruce Labins, Project Architect, presented the study session item.

Dean Isaacson spoke.

Mr. Isaacson responded to queries from Commissioner Saumur.

Mr. Labins responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Mr. Isaacson responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Mr. Labins responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Mr. Isaacson responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Derek Burnham and Mr. Isaacson responded to queries from Chair Smith.

Inge Johnson provided public comment.

Mary Lou Tryba provided public comment.

Jackie Madrid provided public comment.

Reg (no last name given)provided public comment.

Rodney Briggs provided public comment.

Martin Serpico provided public comment.

Phillipe Ruiz provided public comment.

Annie Greenfeld-Wisner provided public comment.

A member of the public, no name given, provided public comment.

Paline Soth provided public comment.

Pepper Russell read a letter on behalf of Lisa Wibroe.

Ma Klein provided public comment.

Brian Ulasewski provided public comment.

Polly Johnson provided public comment.

John Edmond, representing the 6th District Council Office, provided public comment.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Dean Isaacson responded to a comment from Commissioner Saumur.

Commissioner Gentile spoke.

Chair Smith spoke.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gentile, seconded by Commissioner Van Horik, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

Excused: 2 - Alan L. Fox and Charles Durnin

CONTINUED ITEM (6:42 PM)

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2. 10-016PL

Recommend that the City Council amend Zoning Regulations governing public and private landscaping to comply with State-adopted Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance. (Citywide)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the item.

Mark Hungerford, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Mark Hungerford responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

A dialogue ensued between Derek Burnham and Commissioner Van Horik.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to Commissioner Blair's comments.

Meredith Reynolds, Office of Sustainability, spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Chair Smith spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

A motion was made by Commissioner Blair, seconded by Commissioner Saumur, to approve the recommendation with the recommendation that the City Council and the Water Board create economic incentives. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

Excused: 2 - Alan L. Fox and Charles Durnin

REGULAR AGENDA (7:07 PM)

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3. 10-019PL

Recommendation to approve a Site Plan Review for the Long Beach Airport Terminal Area Improvements located west (tarmac-side) of the Historic Terminal consisting of removing modular hold rooms, constructing one-story permanent hold rooms with restrooms and concession spaces and consolidating passenger security screening at 4100 Donald Douglas Drive. (District 5) (Application No. 0602-14)

Commissioners Gentile and Smith recused themselves from the item. (Commissioner Gentile left the meeting.)

Assistant City Attorney Michael Mais clarified the rules of what constitutes a quorum.

In the absence of a Chair and Vice Chair, Commissioner Saumur chaired the item.

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the item.

Jeff Winklepleck, Project Planner, provided a brief update on the item and then introduced Jeff Sedlak, Senior Civil Engineer for the Long Beach Airport, who provided the staff report.

Ernest Serengo, Design Architect, commented on the architectural features of the project.

Darren Suri, Landscape Architect, spoke.

Jeff Sedlak spoke.

Jeff Sedlak responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Mario Rodriguez, Airport Director, responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Mike Kowal, President of Long Beach HUSH 2, provided public comment.

Kevin McAkrone, representing Long Beach Airport Association, provided public comment.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Van Horik, seconded by Commissioner Blair, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

Abstain: 2 - Leslie Fernald Gentile and Melani Smith

Excused: 2 - Alan L. Fox and Charles Durnin

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4. 10-020PL

Recommendation to adopt negative Declaration 14-09 and recommend the City Council adopt the Historic Preservation Element into the Long Beach General Plan. (Citywide)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced Pat Garrow, Project Planner, who gave a brief introduction to the item.

Frank Pirello, Consultant with Historic Resources Group, presented the staff report.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Pat Garrow responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Frank Pirello responded to queries from Commissioner Blair.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Blair and Derek Burnham.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Chair Smith spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Chair Smith.

Frank Pirello responded to a comment from Chair Smith.

A motion was made by Commissioner Blair, seconded by Commissioner Van Horik, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (8:26 PM)

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Chair Smith spoke.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, responded to comments from Chair Smith.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik and Chair Smith.

ADJOURNMENT (8:30 PM)

At 8:30 p.m., Chair Smith adjourned the meeting.

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING: May 6, 2010 - 5:00 PM

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